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IN THE CLAIMS

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application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

**Listing of Claims:** 

1. (Currently Amended)

A content project creating method comprising the

steps of:

selecting a template from a plurality of templates, each template containing a setting of a

scene arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content;

producing scene setting data for a scene included in the edited template by setting details

of the scene using existing material data or newly created data;

providing for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a particular

scene;

displaying for selection in the video display of an image data recorder a piece of the

video image data corresponding to each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene, the piece

of the video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being displayed

simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular scene;

displaying in the video display of the image data recorder the selected take for each of the

plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene arrangement of the selected

template;

subsequently editing the scene setting data; and

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outputting content project data constructed by managing the edited scene setting data on

the basis of the scene arrangement set in the edited template,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

2. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, further

comprising the step of setting details of audio in accordance with the scene arrangement set in

the template or in association with each of the scenes.

3. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, further

comprising the step of setting details of image processing in accordance with the scene

arrangement set in the template or in association with each of the scenes.

4. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, further

comprising the step of changing the scene arrangement set in the template.

5. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, wherein,

in the content project data outputting step, the content project data is read.

6. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, wherein,

in the content project data outputting step, the content project data is recorded on a recording

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medium.

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7. (Original) The content project creating method according to claim 1, wherein,

in the content project data outputting step, the content project data is transmitted.

8.-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A non-transitory computer-readable medium storing

a content project creating program for controlling an information processing apparatus, the

program comprising the steps of:

selecting a template from a plurality of templates, each template containing a setting of a

scene arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content;

producing scene setting data for a scene included in the edited template by setting details

of the scene using existing material data or newly created data;

providing for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a particular

scene;

displaying for selection in the video display of an image data recorder a piece of the

video image data corresponding to each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene, the piece

of the video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being displayed

simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular scene;

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displaying in the video display of the image data recorder the selected take for each of the

plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene arrangement of the selected

template;

subsequently editing the scene setting data; and

outputting content project data constructed by managing the edited scene setting data on

the basis of the scene arrangement set in the edited template,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

16. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, the program further comprising the step of setting details of audio in

accordance with the scene arrangement set in the template or in association with each of the

scenes.

17. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, the program further comprising the step of setting details of image

processing in accordance with the scene arrangement set in the template or in association with

each of the scenes.

18. (Previously Presented)

The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, the program further comprising the step of changing the scene

arrangement set in the template.

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19. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, wherein, in the content project data outputting step, the content project

data is read.

20. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, wherein, in the content project data outputting step, the content project

data is recorded on a recording medium.

21. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 15, wherein, in the content project data outputting step, the content project

data is transmitted.

22. (Currently Amended) An imaging apparatus comprising:

imaging means for capturing an image and generating a video image signal;

processing means for processing the video image signal;

obtaining means for obtaining content project data in the form of a template selected from

a plurality of templates, each template including scene setting data for each scene included in a

scene arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content;

recording means for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a

particular scene;

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displaying means for displaying the plurality of takes in the video display of the imaging

means a piece of the video image data corresponding to each of [[of]] the particular scene, the

piece of the video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being

displayed simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting means for selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular

scene;

wherein the displaying means displays in the video display of the image data recorder the

selected take for each of the plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene

arrangement of the selected template;

editing means for subsequently editing the scene setting data;

display control means for displaying details of the content project data on a display

device; and

imaging control means for controlling selection of a scene of the content project data, the

capturing of the image by the imaging means, and the processing of the video image signal by

the processing means,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

23. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the

processing means records the video image signal on a recording medium, and the imaging

apparatus further comprises:

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management information updating means for updating management information for the

content project data so that the video image signal captured by the imaging means and recorded

on the recording medium by the processing means while the scene of the content project data is

selected is allocated to the scene arrangement of the content project data.

24. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising

communication means for communicating with an outside, wherein the processing means

transmits the video image signal from the communication means, and wherein the imaging

control means transmits, upon transmission, from the communication means, of the video image

signal captured by the imaging means while the scene of the content project data is selected,

information on the selected scene.

25. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the

obtaining means obtains the content project data recorded on the recording medium placed on the

processing means.

26. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the

obtaining means obtains the content project data recorded on a recording medium differing from

the recording medium placed on the processing means.

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27. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising

communication means for communicating with an outside, wherein the obtaining means obtains

the content project data received by the communication means.

28. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the display

control means displays the scene setting data associated with the selected scene on the display

device, the displayed scene setting data serving as the details of the content project data.

29. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 22, wherein, upon

capturing the image by the imaging means while the scene of the content project data is selected,

the display control means displays, on the display device, the scene setting data associated with

the selected scene and the video image signal generated by the imaging means.

30. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the display

control means displays, on the display device, a video image that includes the video image signal

allocated by the management information updating means to the scene arrangement of the

content project data and that is based on the content project data.

31. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the imaging

control means sets the execution time for the imaging means to capture the image and for the

processing means to record the video image signal on the recording medium while the scene of

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the content project data is selected on the basis of scene time information included in the content

project data.

32. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 24, wherein the imaging

control means sets the execution time for the imaging means to capture the image and for the

processing means to transmit the video image signal from the communication means while the

scene of the content project data is selected on the basis of scene time information included in

the content project data.

33. (Original) The imaging apparatus according to claim 23, further comprising

editing means for editing the video image signal captured by the imaging means and recorded on

the recording medium by the processing means while the scene of the content project data is

selected.

34. (Currently Amended) An imaging method comprising the steps of:

obtaining content project data in the form of a template selected from a plurality of

templates, each template including scene setting data for each scene included in a scene

arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content;

producing scene setting data for a scene included in the edited template by setting details

of the scene using existing material data or newly created data;

providing for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a particular

scene;

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displaying for selection in the video display of an image data recorder a piece of the

video image data corresponding to each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene, the piece

of the video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being displayed

simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular scene;

displaying in the video display of the image data recorder the selected take for each of the

plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene arrangement of the selected

template;

subsequently editing the scene setting data; and

displaying details of the edited content project data; and

capturing an image to generate a video image signal while selecting a scene of the

content project data and processing the video image signal,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

35. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 34, wherein the processing

of the video image signal is to record the video image signal on a recording medium, and

management information for the content project data is updated so that the video image signal

generated by capturing the image and recorded on the recording medium while the scene of the

content project data is selected is allocated to the scene arrangement of the content project data.

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36. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 34, wherein the processing

of the video image signal is to transmit the video image signal, and upon transmission of the

video image signal generated by capturing the image while the scene of the content project data

is selected, information on the selected scene is transmitted.

37. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 35, wherein the content

project data is recorded on the recording medium on which the video image signal is recorded,

and the content project data is obtained from the recording medium.

38. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 35, wherein the content

project data is recorded on a recording medium differing from the recording medium on which

the video image signal is recorded, and the content project data is obtained from the different

recording medium.

39. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 34, wherein the content

project data is obtained by receiving the content project data in data communication.

40. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 34, wherein, upon

displaying the details of the content project data, the scene setting data associated with the

selected scene is displayed.

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41. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 34, wherein, upon

capturing the image while the scene of the content project data is selected, the scene setting data

associated with the selected scene and the video image signal generated by capturing the image

are displayed.

42. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 35, wherein a video image

that includes the video image signal allocated to the scene arrangement of the content project

data in response to updating the management information and that is based on the content project

data is displayed.

43. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 35, wherein the execution

time for capturing the image and for recording the video image signal on the recording medium

while the scene of the content project data is selected is set on the basis of scene time

information included in the content project data.

44. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 36, wherein the execution

time for capturing the image and for transmitting the video image signal while the scene of the

content project data is selected is set on the basis of scene time information included in the

content project data.

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45. (Original) The imaging method according to claim 35, wherein the video

image signal generated by capturing the image and recorded on the recording medium while the

scene of the content project data is selected is editable.

46. - 57. (Canceled)

58. (Currently Amended) A non-transitory computer-readable medium storing

an imaging program for controlling an imaging apparatus, the program comprising the steps of:

obtaining content project data in the form of a template selected from a plurality of

templates, each template including scene setting data for each scene included in a scene

arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content;

providing for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a particular

scene;

displaying for selection in the video display of the imaging apparatus a piece of the video

image data corresponding to each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene, the piece of the

video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being displayed

simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular scene;

displaying in the video display of the image data recorder the selected take for each of the

plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene arrangement of the selected

template;

subsequently editing the content project data;

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displaying details of the edited content project data; and

capturing an image to generate a video image signal while selecting a scene of the

content project data and processing the video image signal,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

59. (Previously Presented)

The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 58, wherein the processing of the video image signal is to record the video

image signal on a recording medium, and management information for the content project data is

updated so that the video image signal generated by capturing the image and recorded on the

recording medium while the scene of the content project data is selected is allocated to the scene

arrangement of the content project data.

60. (Previously Presented)

The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 58, wherein the processing of the video image signal is to transmit the video

image signal, and upon transmission of the video image signal generated by capturing the image

while the scene of the content project data is selected, information on the selected scene is

transmitted.

61. (Previously Presented)

The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 59, wherein the content project data is recorded on the recording medium on

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which the video image signal is recorded, and the content project data is obtained from the

recording medium.

62. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 59, wherein the content project data is recorded on a recording medium

differing from the recording medium on which the video image signal is recorded, and the

content project data is obtained from the different recording medium.

63. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 58, wherein the content project data is obtained by receiving the content

project data in data communication.

64. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 58, wherein, upon displaying the details of the content project data, the scene

setting data associated with the selected scene is displayed.

65. (Previously Presented)

The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 58, wherein, upon capturing the image while the scene of the content project

data is selected, the scene setting data associated with the selected scene and the video image

signal generated by capturing the image are displayed.

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66. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 59, wherein a video image that includes the video image signal allocated to

the scene arrangement of the content project data in response to updating the management

information and that is based on the content project data is displayed.

67. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 59, wherein the execution time for capturing the image and for recording the

video image signal on the recording medium while the scene of the content project data is

selected is set on the basis of scene time information included in the content project data.

68. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 60, wherein the execution time for capturing the image and for transmitting

the video image signal while the scene of the content project data is selected is set on the basis of

scene time information included in the content project data.

69. (Previously Presented) The non-transitory computer-readable medium

according to claim 59, wherein the video image signal generated by capturing the image and

recorded on the recording medium while the scene of the content project data is selected is

edited.

70. (Currently Amended)

A content creating system comprising:

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storage means for storing a template selected from a plurality of templates, each template

containing a setting of a scene arrangement of a plurality of scenes of content and material data;

selecting means for selecting the template stored in the storage means;

producing scene setting data for a scene included in the edited template by setting details

of the scene using existing material data or newly created data;

scene details setting means for producing scene setting data for a scene included in the

edited template by setting details of the scene using the material data obtained from the storage

means or newly created data;

recording means for recording video image data for each of a plurality of takes of a

particular scene;

displaying means for displaying in the video display of the recording means a piece of the

video image data corresponding to each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene, the piece

of the video image data for each of the plurality of takes of the particular scene being displayed

simultaneously in the video display of the image data recorder;

selecting means for selecting one of the displayed plurality of takes for the particular

scene;

wherein the displaying means displays in the video display of the image data recorder the

selected take for each of the plurality of scenes, the selected takes being displayed in the scene

arrangement of the selected template;

content project data outputting means for outputting content project data constructed by

managing the scene setting data on the basis of the scene arrangement set in the edited template;

imaging means for capturing an image and generating a video image signal;

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processing means for processing the video image signal;

obtaining means for obtaining the content project data output by the content project data

outputting means;

editing means for subsequently editing the content project data;

display control means for displaying details of the edited content project data on a display

device; and

imaging control means for controlling selection of a scene of the content project data, the

capturing of the image by the imaging means, and the processing of the video image signal by

the processing means,

wherein the template is a scene arrangement sequence for the plurality of scenes set in

advance for a story structure of the video content and prior to editing.

71. (Original) The content creating system according to claim 70, wherein the

processing means records the video image signal on a recording medium, and the content

creating system further comprises:

management information updating means for updating management information for the

content project data so that the video image signal captured by the imaging means and recorded

on the recording medium by the processing means while the scene of the content project data is

selected is allocated to the scene arrangement of the content project data.

72. (Original) The content creating system according to claim 70, further

comprising communication means for communicating with an outside, wherein the processing

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means transmits the video image signal from the communication means, and wherein the

imaging control means transmits, upon transmission, from the communication means, of the

video image signal captured by the imaging means while the scene of the content project data is

selected, information on the selected scene.

73. (Canceled)

74. (Previously Presented)

The method of claim 1, comprising:

automatically terminating recording video image data for a particular one of the plurality

of takes after a time period based on the timeline set in the template for the scene,

wherein the time period is slightly longer than the time period based on the timeline.

75. (Previously Presented)

The method of claim 74, wherein the time period is

approximately 10 seconds longer than the time period based on the timeline.

76. (Canceled)

77. (Previously Presented)

The method of claim 22, comprising:

automatically terminating recording video image data for a particular one of the plurality

of takes after a time period based on the timeline set in the template for the scene,

wherein the time period is slightly longer than the time period based on the timeline.

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78. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 77, wherein the time period is approximately 10 seconds longer than the time period based on the timeline.